

USE OF BROWSER COOKIES TO STORE STRUCTURED DATA

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A web site system implements a process for storing selected data structures within
browser cookies. The data structures may contain a variety of different types of data elements,
including N-bit integers and other non-character elements. A version tracking scheme provides
forward and backward compatibility between client and server software. The process is
implemented without the need for any browser extensions, and without the need for users to
10 download any special code to their computers.

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